

AMENDED IN SENATE JUNE 17, 2014

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2170

Introduced by Assembly Member Mullin

February 20, 2014

An act to amend Section 6502 of the Government Code, relating to joint powers.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2170, as amended, Mullin. Joint powers authorities: common powers.

Existing law provides that 2 or more public agencies, by agreement, may form a joint powers authority to exercise any power common to the contracting parties, as specified.

This bill would provide that the parties to the agreement may exercise any power common to the contracting parties, including, but not limited to, the authority to levy a fee, *assessment*, or tax, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares that, pursuant
2 to Section 6502, a joint powers authority has all powers common
3 to the contracting parties, so long as those powers are specified in
4 the joint powers agreement; ~~therefor~~, *therefore*, the amendments
5 to that section by this bill do not constitute a change in, but are
6 declaratory of, existing law.

1 SEC. 2. Section 6502 of the Government Code is amended to
2 read:

3 6502. If authorized by their legislative or other governing
4 bodies, two or more public agencies by agreement may jointly
5 exercise any power common to the contracting parties, including,
6 but not limited to, the authority to levy a fee, *assessment*, or tax,
7 even though one or more of the contracting agencies may be located
8 outside this state.

9 It shall not be necessary that any power common to the
10 contracting parties be exercisable by each such contracting party
11 with respect to the geographical area in which such power is to be
12 jointly exercised. For purposes of this section, two or more public
13 agencies having the power to conduct agricultural, livestock,
14 industrial, cultural, or other fairs or exhibitions shall be deemed
15 to have common power with respect to any such fair or exhibition
16 conducted by any one or more of such public agencies or by an
17 entity created pursuant to a joint powers agreement entered into
18 by such public agencies.